

A monthly newsletter for the citizens of the City of Rockville

Groundbreaking for Town Square Set for June

A few shovels full of dirt will mark the most significant step toward Rockville’s future in more than three decades at a groundbreaking ceremony in June for Phase I of the new Rockville Town Center development.

The public is invited to the ceremony, which will be held at the East Middle Lane parking lot. The exact date and time had yet to be determined at press time of this edition of Rockville Reports. Check The Rockville Channel, City Website and local media for details.

The \$300 million Phase I of the development, which is being called “Rockville Town Square” by private developer RD Rockville, LLC, will encompass the 15-acre focal point of Town Center. Eventually, other phases of revitalization will see Town Center expand to more than 60 acres.

“This will truly be a great day for Rockville,” said Mayor Larry Giammo. “Although thoughts of this project go back more than 10 years, in the past three years, as the result of the hard work and

dedication of many people, some remarkable things have happened to make this a reality. I am already anxious for the next time we return to the site in about two years for the grand opening.”

The groundbreaking itself will be a grand event. The Mayor and Council and private partners RD Rockville and Federal Reality Investment Trust will be joined by representatives of the public partners in the project including Montgomery County, the State of Maryland and the federal government.

In 1972, the Rockville Mall opened in downtown Rockville and struggled financially from the start. Most of the mall was demolished in 1995.

Earlier this year, WDG Architects, which was hired by RD Rockville to design the Phase I plans, made detailed block-by-block presentations of the new downtown. In February and March, the Mayor and Council approved use permits for Town Square following recommenda-



A new bus stop and public artwork are included in the plans for the new corner of Beall Avenue and North Washington St.

tion of approval from the City’s Planning Commission.

Phase I encompasses Town Center’s central 15 acres bordered by Beall Avenue on the north; Middle Lane on the south; North Washington Street on the west and Maryland Route 355 on the east. Town Square will cover about 12 of those acres.

Rockville Town Square promises to have a unique look compared to most downtown redevelopments. Each building will have a distinctive appearance and differing amenities to make the area look like it developed over time. More than 30 building facades are planned. Many of their features were in-

spired by historic Rockville buildings.

Rockville Town Square will include a mix of retail, restaurant, cultural, entertainment, residential and office uses. It also will include the new Rockville Regional Library and a public square. Three public parking garages, creating about 1,800 spaces, will be built to support the development.

Information on Town Center is available on Rockville’s City Web site at www.rockvillemd.gov/towncenter and from Rockville’s Department of Community Planning and Development Services at City Hall at 240-314-8200. **RR**

World War II Vets Honored At Hometown Holidays LIVE, Gin Blossoms Highlight Free Concert Saturday, May 29

Sergeant Major Daniel Funk, a retired World War II veteran, will serve as the grand marshal of the 60th annual City of Rockville Memorial Day Parade on Monday, May 31.

This year the City will focus on the achievements and service of World War II veterans during its annual Memorial Day Weekend Hometown Holidays festivities, which will take place on the same weekend the new national World War II Memorial is dedicated in downtown ,Washington D.C.

The parade caps off the traditional Rockville celebration of Memorial Day Weekend. The

three days of events will include a live concert on Saturday, May 29, featuring LIVE and Gin Blossoms. More than 150 arts vendors will fill downtown streets on Saturday and Sunday and the Saturday night concert will conclude with a fireworks display.

Rockville will honor area military heroes of all eras by displaying their photographs on a prominent screen during the Saturday events. On Monday, Funk will serve as the parade’s grand marshal and other World War II veterans will take part in the traditional wreath-laying ceremony on North Washington Street.



Hometown Holidays will celebrate current and past military servicemen, including World War II veteran Sgt. Major Daniel Funk.

The ceremony honoring American war heroes will start at 9:30 a.m., and the ensuing parade will cap off Rockville’s Hometown Holidays, which typically attracts the largest Memorial Day parade crowd in the area.

World War II veterans who

wish to participate in the ceremony should meet at the reviewing stand on North Washington Street between Middle Lane and Beall Avenue by 9 a.m. Monday morning.

Funk is an 80-year-old retired veteran of WWII. A native Marylander, he was elected in February as president of the Battle of the Bulge Maryland and D.C. chapter of 28th DIV Association.

Funk also has been awarded numerous honors including five Battle Stars for his service to the country. This month, Funk also is traveling to France to be presented with that nation’s highest and most prestigious military decoration, the Legion of Honor. **RR**

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Refuse: Change For Big Pickups

Collecting refuse and recycling in a cost-efficient manner is an issue that is posing challenges to local governments across the Washington metropolitan region. For the City of Rockville, the problem goes a step further: How to maintain the premiere collection operation in the area while also keeping control of quickly escalating costs.

One change will go in effect as of Wednesday, June 9: Pickups of major items (such as appliances) will now take place only on Wednesdays, and residents must now call in advance for those pickups.

Rockville has had a crew assigned to travel the City on each collection day to pick up major items, but on May 10, the Mayor and Council approved the plan proposed by the Department of Public Works to pick up big items only one day each week. Requests for pickups must be called in by 3 p.m. on Tuesdays (to 240-314-8568) to schedule a Wednesday pickup. Items must be placed at the curb.

“Pick up of big items affects most residents only occasionally, and we want everyone to know that this service will always be available,” said Hal Cranor, Rockville’s Director of Public Works. “This change will help keep costs down and enhance services for everyone, and that is what we have been looking to achieve.” **RR**

June’s Best of Rockville

June 6

“Sculpture On The Grounds” 16th Annual Outdoor Sculpture Exhibit. Rockville Civic Center Park grounds. Opening Reception/Walking Tour: Sunday, June 6, at 1 p.m. at Glenview Mansion. Free

June 12-13

Peerless Rockville’s Civil War Weekend. Rockville Town Center. [See photo right from last year’s weekend.] Call Peerless Rockville for more information at 301-762-0096.



June 29

Kids Parks Performing Arts featuring original songs by Patricia Shih: Big Ideas for the Whole Family. King Farm Park (Rain site: Glenview Mansion). 7:30 p.m. Free. Call to verify location and to obtain directions: 240-314-8682

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Focus on TRAFFIC CALMING



CIRCLE TO SAFETY ... Two new traffic circles, like the one above, have been added to help slow traffic and make Rockville safer for pedestrians on Hurley Avenue.

Rockville has many programs that affect the lives of residents. On a regular basis, "Focus On" will take an introspective look at these programs and detail the impact they have for City residents.

Hurley Avenue, located to the west of I-270, connects two well-traveled roads in Rockville: Route 28 and Wootton Parkway. With that popularity comes a price.

Hurley Avenue has been identified as one of the top three roads in Rockville on which drivers regularly exceed the speed limit. Each day, people often drive more than 15 miles an hour over the speed limit.

Two years ago the City, working with the support and advice of residents, developed a plan to install several new features on the road to help slow down traffic. These "traffic calming devices" were to be positioned every 400 feet to help encourage many drivers to slow down.

An element of the plan were traffic circles.

With resident input, traffic circles were selected over other devices because they are not only effective in deterring speeders, but also because they are aesthetically pleasing. Two circles have been in-

stalled on Hurley Avenue over the past two years as part of the traffic-calming plan.

While traffic circles are popular in other parts of the country and the world, they are not as common in Maryland. Citizens can find circles in only two other locations in Rockville: around the corner on Watts Branch Parkway and on Manatee Street.

Here are a few tips for drivers who may not be familiar with the traffic regulations regarding driving in circles.

When approaching a traffic circle, slow down to properly pay attention to signs and oncoming traffic. As each car reaches the entrance to the circle, cars must yield to any traffic already in the circle. Traffic in the circle should continue around without stopping or pausing until they exit out.

Cars entering from side streets should be aware that traffic coming around the circle has the right of way.

Finally, when driving in the circle, pay attention and drive slowly so that everyone is able to enter and exit safely.

For more information about calming traffic in your community, visit Rockville's Web site www.rockvillemd.gov/residents/traffic/calming.html. **RR**



The new 17-foot high "Sprayground" will add another element to Rockville's Municipal Swim Center, which for decades has been recognized as one of the top swimming facilities in the Washington metropolitan area.

Splash the Day Away at Swim Center's New "Sprayground"

Combine spray nozzles, jet valves and water guns all in one 17-foot high "playground" and what do you have? The newest attraction at the Rockville Swim Center — "Sprayground" — opening this month.

Using valves, cranks, water cannons, nets and spray features, youngsters are sure to take charge of their own interactive, wet and wild fun this summer. Perfect for cooling off in the sizzling weather, the colorful Sprayground is made of a combination of foam and fiberglass that ensures it will remain safe and durable for years to come. The new water feature will be located next to the Center's north pool.

"While the primary focus of the Swim Center remains fitness, we hope the Sprayground provides our users with an exciting, new, interactive and safe feature that the whole family can enjoy together," said Phil Ashworth, Aquatics Facilities Manager at the Swim Center.

The Swim Center is one of the area's finest full-service swimming facilities open seven days a week throughout the year.

Perfect for exercising, practicing with skilled swimmers or just splashing and relaxing poolside with the whole family, Rockville's Swim Center features three indoor and outdoor

pools as well as diving boards, a waterslide, a beach, fountains for tots along and the new Sprayground.

The Swim Center also boasts a 15-person spa, health and exercise rooms and climate-controlled, indoor locker rooms with saunas.

It is conveniently located next to softball and soccer fields, basketball and tennis courts and picnic areas in Welsh Park at 355 Martins Lane.

For more information including operating hours and details on memberships, passes, special programs and classes visit www.rockvillemd.gov/swimcenter or call 240-314-8750. **RR**

Mayor for A Day: Kaela Boykin

Kaela Boykin, a fourth grader at Christ Episcopal School, became Rockville's third "Mayor for a Day" as she "shared" power with Mayor Larry Giammo on Wednesday, May 12.

Boykin earned her ascent in the political world by becoming an honoree from Rockville in the Maryland Municipal League's annual statewide essay contest.

The theme of this year's contest was to "Tell others about the changes you might make to the budget because the city will not have as much money to spend next year."

Kaela's 250-word essay included that, if she were mayor, she "would ask for volunteers to help with park maintenance ... and ask for volunteers to help make benches out of recycled materials."

Mayor Giammo and "Mini-Mayor" Boykin (named for a character in the *Austin Powers* movies) discussed city issues over lunch. In addition, Boykin rode along side Community Services Police Officer Jan Seilhamer, received a tour of City Hall and experienced the daily activities of the Croydon Creek Nature Center and the City's Public Works Department.



Kaela Boykin saw a lot of Rockville in her term as "Mayor for a Day." Here, the fourth grader learned her way around the control room at The Rockville Channel.

At the City sign-making shop, she received a City of Rockville street sign in her name.

This is the third year Rockville extended the statewide contest for local youth. Mayor Giammo again took a personal interest in the contest. He visited classrooms of fourth graders around the City to talk about local government.

"The elected leaders of gov-

ernment and the government professionals work very hard year-round to think of new ways to provide better services to our citizens," said Mayor Giammo. "In reading the essays, it reminded me that our young people sometimes have the purest perspective of the things around us. There were some interesting thoughts throughout the essays." **RR**



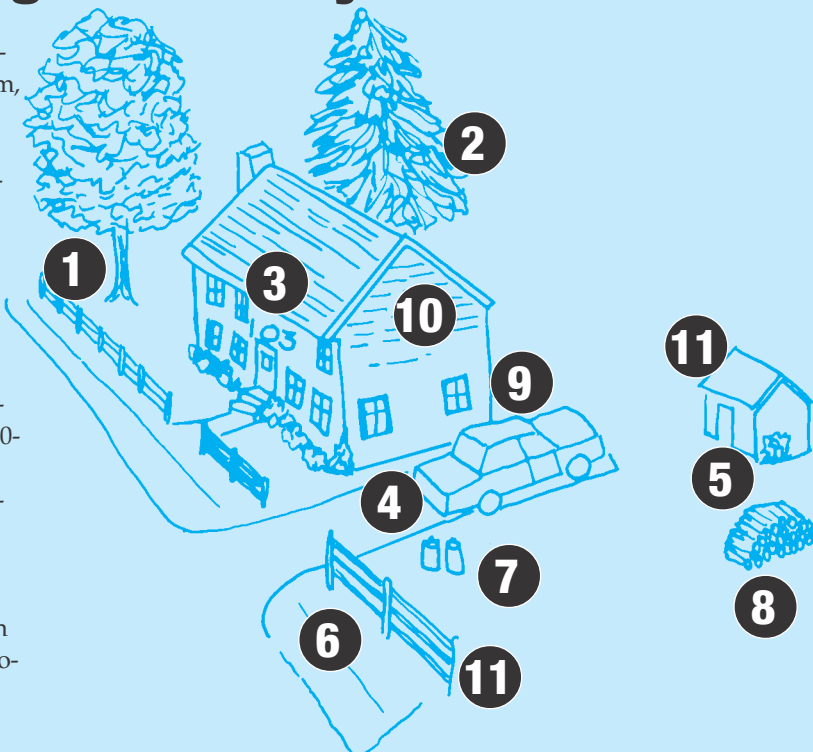
WALKING TOWN MEETINGS CONTINUE... Mayor Larry Giammo (second from left) and Councilmember John F. Hall, Jr., (far right), along with the rest of the Council and City staff, met with residents of Cambridge Walk I and II on May 8. Topics of discussion were street repairs, loitering and the planned Twinbrook Commons development.

Know the Code: Help Beautify Rockville By Following These City Guidelines

Through Rockville's Community Enhancement Program, Housing Inspectors patrol neighborhoods in an effort to spot and eliminate the following noted conditions.

The goal of the program is to preserve property values and housing stock to help maintain safety and good appearance of the community.

Call Community Enhancement Code Enforcement at 240-314-8330 for additional information, concerns or complaints.



1. Be sure fences, hedges, trees, shrubs and weeds on corner lots do not block motorists' line of sight.

2. Weeds and grass cannot be more than 10 inches tall. Keep hedges, trees and bushes pruned so they are not hazardous to people on your property.

3. House numbers must be visible from the street and be a minimum of three inches high.

4. Dismantling vehicles and performing major repairs in the right-of-way or on private property is not permitted. Parking or storing trucks, cars, boats and campers is permitted on paved or existing gravel areas only. Only one unlicensed vehicle may be parked on the property.

5. Yards cannot be cluttered or littered with trash, rubble, large appliances or furniture, toys, building materials, etc.

6. Avoid driving over the curb, grass area and sidewalk, which may cause damage to the street and vehicle.

7. Use garbage containers with tight fitting lids, and as many as needed to house all of your household's refuse. Place them by the curb on the proper trash days and remove them in a timely manner.

8. Store building materials, fire-place wood, lumber, etc. at least eight inches off the ground to prevent "critters" from living there, such as rats.

9. Each sleeping room in the basement must have at least one window (five to seven square feet) that opens. The room can not contain a gas-fired appliance.

10. Exterior metal and wood surfaces must be painted or have another protective coating.

11. Obtain a permit before adding fences or additional structures to the property such as sheds, garages and carports. A permit is also required for improvements inside the home, including gas, plumbing and electrical systems. Be sure to have the work inspected and approved.

Let's talk: CHARLAS

An informal chat is the premise behind CHARLAS, a Rockville organization that better connects Latino parents of children at Twinbrook Elementary School with the City and the school.

The group, organized by the City's Department of Neighborhood and Community Services, meets once every two months to discuss important issues not only relating to the health and education of their children, but also to City issues.

There is not always an agenda or formal structure to the meetings, but members of CHARLAS are accomplishing a lot.

Mayor Larry Giammo attended a gathering of nearly 100 parents on April 28, along with Montgomery County Board of Education members and City staff, to discuss new services that will be available from recently awarded Title I funding.

"Mayor Giammo answered a lot of our questions," said Angeles Cervantes, a CHARLAS participant. "It is good to know

that our concerns are important and that we have a voice in our community."

The school most likely would have qualified for national financial support in years past, but statistics about the school's families, such as incomes, went under-reported.

CHARLAS encouraged families in the community to better cooperate and help the school qualify.

"One reason for the lack of participation is that some Latinos are distrustful of government," said Marcial Candido, a Youth, Family and Community Services Specialist for Rockville. "Many of them grew up in other countries, where people are taught to be fearful of government and not to disclose personal information. Others simply don't know how to fill out the surveys or can't read them because of language barriers."

Members of CHARLAS overcame those challenges to help demonstrate that 57 percent of the students live below the poverty line and deserve extra support. The grant will enable the school to add new staff and create special programs for students. **RR**

Conversemos: CHARLAS

Una charla informal es la premisa de CHARLAS (*Let's talk*), una organización de Rockville que ayuda a los padres de los niños latinos de la *Twinbrook Elementary School* a comunicarse mejor con la Ciudad y la escuela.

El grupo, organizado por el Departamento de Servicios al Vecindario y la Comunidad de la Ciudad, se reúne una vez cada dos meses para tratar asuntos importantes no solo en relación con la salud y la educación de sus hijos, sino también de la Ciudad.

En las reuniones no hay orden del día o estructura formal, pero los miembros de CHARLAS están logrando mucho.

El Alcalde Larry Giammo asistió a una reunión de casi 100 padres el 28 de abril, junto con los miembros del Consejo de Educación de Montgomery County y funcionarios de la Ciudad, para hablar sobre nuevos servicios que estarán disponibles con motivo de los fondos por el Título I acordados recientemente.

"El Alcalde Giammo contestó numerosas preguntas", dijo Ángeles Cervantes, una participante de CHARLAS. "Es bueno saber que nuestras preocupaciones son importantes y que tenemos una voz en nuestra comunidad".

Muy probablemente, la escuela habría calificado para el apoyo financiero nacional en años anteriores, pero las cifras estadísticas acerca de las familias de la escuela, como los ingresos, fueron subnotificadas.

CHARLAS alentó a las familias de la comunidad a cooperar mejor y ayudar para que la escuela califique.

"Una razón de la falta de participación es que algunos latinos desconfían del gobierno", dijo Marcial Cándido, un especialista de los Servicios para la Juventud, la Familia y la Comunidad de la Ciudad de Rockville.

"Muchos de ellos se criaron en otros países, donde se enseña a las personas a ser temerosas del gobierno y no revelar información personal. Otros sencillamente no saben cómo responder los cuestionarios o no pueden leerlos debido a las barreras del idioma".

Los miembros de CHARLAS superaron esos retos para ayudar a demostrar que 57% de los estudiantes viven por debajo del umbral de pobreza y merecen apoyo adicional. La subvención le permitirá a la escuela agregar personal nuevo y crear programas especiales para los estudiantes. **RR**

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EVERY 15 MINUTES... Hundreds of volunteers helped students at Richard Montgomery High School in April learn the grim realities of drinking and driving through the "Every 15 Minutes" program. City of Rockville Police, with many local organizations and sponsors, organized a mock car crash, a tour of the Pumphrey funeral home, a school-wide assembly and other activities to demonstrate first-hand the effects of alcohol-related crashes. The Every 15 Minutes program is based on a national model. It was created in the 1990s, when every 15 minutes someone died of an alcohol related car crash. Insert: Councilmember Bob Dorsey and State Senator Jennie Forehand present an award to a program participant.



Colleen and Clark Reed stand in front of their house on Crawford Drive with solar panels on the roof.

City Presents First-Ever Environmental Awards

Every Rockville citizen receives an electric bill each month. But imagine being able to receive a credit on the bill some months for electricity that is sold back to the power company.

That's what Colleen and Clark Reed do as a result of their efforts to make their home on Crawford Drive in Rockville the most environmentally friendly and cost-effective possible.

The roof of their white cape cod holds solar panels, which collect the sun's energy on bright days and sends excess power back to the grid for their neighbors to use. The system is

backed up by Pepco power for the evenings and cloudy days.

"We're both very concerned about conservation and helping the environment stay healthy, so anything we can do in our home and the way we live, we are happy to do," said Colleen.

The Mayor and Council recently recognized the Reeds among the first recipients of the City's Environmental Excellence Award for project achievement in green building technology and design.

The other two award-winners for individual stewardship and corporate leadership, respectively, were Jill Russ, a

Twinbrook resident who has organized a very successful stream cleanup effort for the past three years and The Tower Company, for outstanding application of green building principles in the design and construction of the award-winning Tower Building in Tower Oaks.

"Most of the things that we've done are really easy ideas that anyone in Rockville can do," said Colleen. "It's simple, it saves the environment, and it helps your bank account."

Clark, who works for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, suggests starting with buying fluorescent light bulbs and energy saving appliances. For instance, their front-loading washer uses half the amount of water of a top-loading washer. This not only saves water, but also helps get more water out of the clothes so they don't take as long to dry and uses less soap. It took the couple one year to finish an 80-load box of powdered detergent.

Taking their environmental design a few steps further, the couple explored how others save energy by participating in the National Solar Homes Tour. After learning about and taking advantage of a Maryland state program for rebates on solar power panels and other improvements, the Reeds proudly featured their home on the 2003 tour.

"Some people think making a home environmentally friendly means making a sacrifice or is a really high expense," said Colleen. "But it's really not. Even the Energy Star appliances are tax free in Maryland."

For more information on how to make a home environmentally friendly, visit www.energystar.gov. **RR**



RISE-ING TO GREAT HEIGHTS... Art Billings congratulates Kaylisha Gilmer, 13, at the RISE Banquet on Saturday, May 8. More than 40 students and their parents joined Mayor Larry Giammo, Councilmembers Susan Hoffmann, Bob Dorsey and John F. Hall, Jr., and Lillian Cruz from the Office of Congressman Chris Van Hollen in celebration of the students' achievements in the program. The Montgomery County Circuit Court Division of Land and Records also was recognized for a new job training initiative for RISE students. The Montgomery County Collaboration Council will continue to support RISE and local at-risk youth through an extended \$11,000 grant starting this summer.



Arthur Thomas prepares home plate at Dogwood Park.

Play Ball in Rockville! City Fields are in Dream Condition

Thousands of Rockville youth and adults participate in community sporting events on more than 50 athletic fields in the City each year.

But before the first ball can be tossed and the final score recorded, a unique crew of seven City of Rockville employees are there to make sure the ever-changing baseball, soccer, volleyball, football and softball fields are in top shape.

Rockville is one of the few municipalities in the area that maintains the athletic fields before and after nearly every game, including numerous weekend events.

"We want to promote participation and prevent injuries," said Arthur Thomas, athletic fields crew supervisor. "The kids get a lot out of it. Participating in sports teaches them how to perform as a team and better themselves individually. It's real important to us to keep these fields in shape."

In addition to Thomas, citizens may see Ryan Lynch, Clifton Vann, Clayton Phipps,

Kyle France, Matt Dutra or Ben Davis taking care of the fields.

While many people think of sports typically in the summer, the athletic crew works year round. Crew members can be found putting up and taking down goal posts for soccer games, building softball pitchers mounds, lining and smoothing out baseball fields and re-building and maintaining the green turf on football fields. Ensuring the fields are safe is among their top priorities.

A variety of skills are required to be a member of the athletic field crew, including knowledge of sports, landscaping and carpentry. They must know how to properly use the equipment and how to create the fields such as the length of lines and distance between bases, the pitcher's mound and home plate.

In addition to City fields, the crew maintains fields at area venues such as Richard Montgomery High School and Montgomery College that host Rockville events. **RR**



NORTH FARM TREE PROJECT COMPLETE... City of Rockville Forester Susan Nolde (far left) and Terry Galloway of the Maryland Forest Service (far right) join volunteers from Agilent Technologies, Anne Warzyniak and Kim Thomas, in planting trees as part of the North Farm Tree Project at the Intersection of Montrose Road and Tower Oaks Boulevard. Rockville citizen Joe Morra spearheaded the cooperative project with the Maryland Department of Natural Resources TREE-MENDOUS program.

INSIDE MAYOR & COUNCIL

A Glimpse into the City Government at Work



CELEBRATING ASIAN-PACIFIC AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH... *The Mayor and Council proclaimed May Asian-Pacific American Heritage Month in Rockville. An exhibit of local high school student artwork was displayed in City Hall throughout the month.*



LEADING MONTGOMERY . . . *Councilmember Susan Hoffmann addressed the 2004 class of Leadership Montgomery in the Mayor and Council Chambers in April. Leadership Montgomery is a nine-month program that brings together current and emerging leaders from throughout the county to learn about government, business and decision-making. In addressing the group, Hoffmann, a Leadership Montgomery alumnus, said, "I think Leadership Montgomery teaches us how to be better prepared when things jump out at us. And most important of all, we learn how to be better prepared for the unexpected by planning well ahead."*

Profile of City Manager Position Determined

The Mayor and Council, with the input of citizens, have determined a profile of the ideal candidate for Rockville's city manager, as the process to select the new city manager continues.

On April 20, the Mayor and Council invited about 50 residents and representatives of the business community to meet in small groups to discuss important qualities for the position.

The position has been advertised in several national publications, with further ap-

plications accepted through the end of May.

In mid-June, the Mayor and Council will review information about 10 to 15 of the top candidates identified by a national search firm. Then the Mayor and Council will narrow the candidate pool further and more background research will be conducted before finalists are brought to Rockville to be interviewed in July.

A new City Manager is expected to be selected by early fall. **RR**

City to Issue Bonds For Town Center

Throughout the planning process to create a new Rockville Town Center, the City worked toward a plan of funding Rockville's share of the cost through a series of debt issues. On May 17, the Mayor and Council authorized four ordinances that will allow the City to issue the necessary bonds to help fund the project and keep it on schedule.

Prior to approving this debt, Mayor Larry Giammo, Acting City Manager Catherine Tuck Parrish, Director of Community Planning and Development Services Art Chambers and Director of Finance Donna Boxer traveled to New York City to meet with bond-rating agencies. Analysts at both Moody's and Standard & Poor's were enthusiastic about the project and expressed their comfort with the level of debt that the City has proposed for funding the public portion of the development.

Following those opinions, the Mayor and Council unanimously approved the following:

- \$19.3 million in General Obligation Bonds to fund various Capital Improvement Program projects, including \$6.5

million for improvements associated with Town Center and \$5 million for initial costs in building Town Center parking garages

- \$12.3 million in General Obligation Short-Term Bond Anticipation Notes for acquisition costs of real property in the Phase I development area
- \$36 million in General Obligation Bonds of 2004 (Second Series) for construction of parking facilities in Town Center. [These bonds will not be issued until late fall or early winter. Parking meter and garage revenue will be used to pay the principal and interest on these bonds.]

In addition, authorization was given to issue \$13 million in General Obligation Bonds (Series 2006). However, Boxer, said that the City does not expect to issue those bonds. She told the Mayor and Council that approval to issue these bonds was required by Maryland State law whenever a jurisdiction issued short-term Bond Anticipation Notes. The City expects to repay the short-term debt with funds slated to be paid by the developer later in the year. **RR**

FY 2005 Budget Moves Forward

As the Mayor and Council near adoption of the FY 2005 budget on June 14, they continue to welcome feedback from citizens and business owners.

The proposed budget, which begins July 1, 2004, reflects the Mayor and Council's goals, provides for premium programs and services and supports the City's infrastructure. It also looks toward the future, considering important trends that will affect how services are provided and funded. It shows strong support for the Mayor and Council's top priority: Building a new vibrant Town Center.

The property tax rate remains at 32.2 cents per hundred dollars of assessed valuation for real property. Overall, the budget is a result

of careful prioritization and thoughtful evaluation of the City's needs and services. The process included City employees generating suggestions to improve efficiency and cut costs. These programs will result in savings and lead to productivity improvements in FY 05.

"We are taking on a lot here," said Mayor Larry Giammo. "But we are on the cusp of a new era in Rockville."

The Mayor and Council heard comments and concerns from citizens this spring during a series of public hearings and worksessions.

Copies of the complete proposed FY 2005 budget are available online at www.rockvillemd.gov/budget. **RR**

FY 2005 Budget Schedule

- **June 1:** Budget worksession No. 3 (if needed)
- **June 14:** Budget and taxes and utility rates adopted by the Mayor and Council



Mayor
Larry Giammo



Councilmember
Robert E. (Bob) Dorsey



Councilmember
John F. Hall, Jr.



Councilmember
Susan R. Hoffmann



Councilmember
Anne M. Robbins

Mayor & Council Drop In

The Mayor and one Councilmember are available to meet with residents on a drop-in basis in the Mayor and Council office at City Hall from 5:30-6:30 p.m. on Mondays (unless otherwise noted) when there is a General Session or Public Hearing. Call the City Clerk's Office (240-314-8280) as drop-in times are subject to change.

In addition to Mayor Larry Giammo, Councilmembers scheduled for June are:

- **June 14:** Susan Hoffmann
- **June 21:** Anne Robbins

Mayor & Council Meetings

All General Sessions, Worksessions and Public Hearings are televised on The Rockville Channel, and are available on streaming video at: www.rockvillemd.gov. All meetings are subject to change.

- **June 1 (Tues.)** Work session (Budget No. 3 if needed), 7 p.m.
- **June 14 (Mon.)** General Session (Budget Adoption), 7 p.m.*
- **June 21 (Mon.)** Public Hearing Worksession (Lincoln Terrace), 7 p.m.

*Starting time dependant on Flag Day Ceremony

Boards & Commissions Vacancies

The City is seeking applicants for appointment to the following:

- Human Rights Commission (two)
- Human Services Advisory Commission (one)
- Landlord/Tenant (one/tenant)
- Traffic & Transportation (one)

For more information, contact the Office of the City Clerk at 240-314-8280.

OUT & ABOUT IN ROCKVILLE

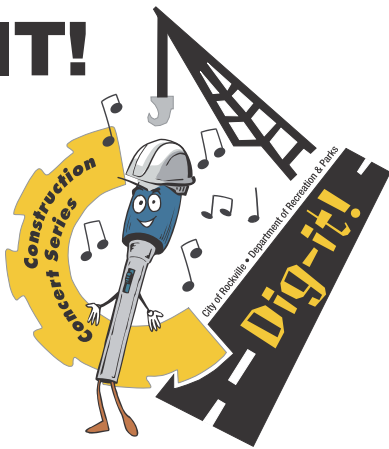
Highlighting City Events and Programs

Just DIG IT!

See the progress of Rockville Town Center's construction and enjoy leisurely summer evening entertainment at the all-new Dig-It! concert series, sponsored by the City of Rockville's Department of Recreation and Parks.

The kick-off event begins Thursday, June 17, at 7 p.m. with the classic rock sounds of a Maryland favorite—Sandra Dean Band. The band has been wowing audiences with its contemporary, classic and original tunes since 1997. Appearing in many local venues, Sandra Dean Band can be heard playing everything from Alanis Morissette to Aretha Franklin.

The Dig It! concerts will take



place at Courthouse Square on Maryland Ave. between Middle Lane and E. Montgomery Ave.

Bring a blanket and/or chair for comfortable seating. Look for concerts one Thursday per month through September. Future events will be announced in Rockville Reports and on www.rockvillemd.gov. **RR**



A variety of fresh herbs are among the items that can be purchased at Rockville's Farmers' Market.

Saturday Farmers' Market Moves to New Location

The Rockville Growers Only Farmers' Market has returned to Rockville Town Center for the summer. But regular customers should be aware that the Saturday Farmers' Market is in a new location as the City makes way for the construction of the Rockville's Town Square project.

The new location is the Montgomery County jurors' parking lot at the corner of Jefferson Street (Route 28) and Monroe Street. The variety of products available will be the same: some of the

area's freshest fruits, vegetables, perennial and cut flowers, baked goods and more.

The market will be in operation every Saturday from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. through Oct. 30. The large lot will enable shoppers to park at no charge.

The Farmers' Market also will be a part of Rockville's Department of Recreation and Parks' *Out To Lunch Wednesdays* weekly street festival, held every Wednesday from 11 a.m.- 2 p.m. beginning on June 2 on East Montgomery Avenue. **RR**



Troops assemble at last year's Civil War weekend in Rockville.

Peerless Captures Civil War Spirit on June 12 and 13

140th Anniversary of Jubal Early's Marches

Peerless Rockville, the organization dedicated to preserving the City's history, will once again host a variety of exciting and educational activities during a Civil War Weekend on June 12 and 13 in and around Rockville's Town Center.

This year will focus on Jubal Early, who led a Confederate Army raid into Washington, D.C., and brought troops through Rockville in July 1864.

This program is sponsored by Peerless Rockville, the City of Rockville, the Montgomery

County Historical Society, H. Fraser Clayton and Eastern Mortgage Services.

For more information, contact Peerless Rockville at 301-762-0096, visit www.peerlessrockville.org or email info@peerlessrockville.org **RR**

CIVIL WAR WEEKEND SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

See www.peerlessrockville.org for specific times

Saturday, June 12 • 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.

- Dr. Benjamin F. Cooling on Jubal Early's Raid on Washington: The Campaign that Might have changed American History – and Did!
- The Atlantic Baseball Club of New York challenges Montgomery County residents to a town ballgame played under 1860s rules – quite different from modern baseball. To participate, call 301-762-0096.
- The Wildcat Regiment Band performs on the steps of the historic Red Brick Courthouse, followed by a Torchlight Tour of the Military Encampment and Field Hospital.
- Yankee schoolmarm Susan Kelly discusses education during the Civil War and historian Valerie Smith has fun "Dressing the Family," a hands-on look at Civil War social life and textiles.

Sunday, June 13 • 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

- An Encampment church service at Beall-Dawson house park.
- The Encampment and Field Hospital continues with a Walking Tour of 1864 Rockville and on-going performances by the 97th Regimental String Band.
- A series of Living History Debates highlight concerns of 1864 (an election year), which mirror national, state and local issues that resound today.
- Michael Virts offers a slide presentation of Early's March through Montgomery County.
- Signal Corps: Flags, Telegraph, Mirrors and Morse Code by the Signal Corps Association Reenactors' Division and the Morse Telegraph Club-Washington/Baltimore Chapter.

FSF Theatre Tickets Available Online

Getting seats for events at Rockville's F. Scott Fitzgerald Theatre is now more convenient than ever as tickets for many events at the theatre in Rockville Civic Center Park are now available online.

Previously, tickets to events were available by phone, mail or by visiting the box office at the theatre. The new system will make tickets available 24 hours per day.

Tickets now can be accessed by going through the City Web site to the Fitzgerald Theatre page or direct to www.rockvillemd.gov/theatre. The customer can then click on the TicketLeap link for the specific show.

Although many Internet ticket Web sites now charge excessive amounts for the convenience

of buying tickets online, the contract the City has with TicketLeap will charge only \$1 per ticket, plus a nominal fee of 3.5 percent of the total amount. (For example, a \$15 ticket purchased online would cost a total of \$16.32.) For events that have no admission charge, but require tickets, the only charge for an online ticket will be \$1.

For most performances, outstanding seats have been set aside for Internet purchase. Patrons can print out their confirmation of purchase of specific seats at home and exchange for actual tickets upon arriving at the theatre.

"For many people, this makes going to events at the F. Scott Fitzgerald Theatre an even better experience," said Kim Haug, the theatre supervisor. "The convenience

is hard to match, and getting tickets online will mean getting superb seats. The cost is nominal, and if people choose to get their tickets in the traditional manner, there still is no additional cost to them. This system works for everyone."

Haug said the first events that have had tickets available online demonstrated some people like round-the-clock availability.

"Our records show that tickets already have been purchased in the middle of the night," he said. "For some people, that is convenience, and that is what this system is all about."

For those who want to use the phone for more information about the theatre or all of the options to purchase tickets, call 240-314-8690. **RR**



PRESERVING HISTORY... Nina Clarke, left, received the Arthur Wagman Award for Historic Preservation Communication at the recent 2004 Peerless Rockville Preservation Awards. Clarke is a former teacher and principal. Following her retirement in 1973, she co-authored the book, "The History of Black Public Schools in Montgomery County." Presenting the award were Arthur and Lynn Wagman.

In Brief

Wanted: F. Scott Fitzgerald Volunteers And Short Stories

Area high school students and adults are encouraged to submit their original written works to the F. Scott Fitzgerald Short Stories contest, before the July 9 deadline.

Two judged contests are held: one for students who reside or attend school in the City of Rockville and another that is open to anyone (students and adults) in the Washington metro region. The open contest entry fee is \$25; there is no fee for the student contest. Top prize for the students is \$250, while the open contest first-place winner will receive \$1,000.

Awardees also will receive an invitation to speak at the F. Scott Fitzgerald Literary Conference held annually at Montgomery College in October. For more information, including entry rules, call 301-309-9461, read the April 2004 *Rockville Reports*, or stop by the City Hall information desk at 111 Maryland Ave.

In addition, the annual conference organizers are looking for volunteers. Interested parties should e-mail John Moser, conference chairman, at jomoser@earthlink.net.

CALL 301-309-9461 FOR INFO

Rabies Clinic June 17

Protect Rockville’s pets with free or low-cost vaccinations at the Rabies Clinic on June 27 from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. The clinic will be held at the Montgomery County Animal Shelter at 14645 Rothgeb Drive in Rockville and will feature:

- Free rabies vaccinations for dogs owned by Rockville residents (\$4 fee charged for cats and ferrets of Rockville residents and out of City pets). Free rabies vaccinations for dogs and cats owned by Montgomery County residents.
- Pet licenses for City of Rockville, City of Gaithersburg and Montgomery County will be available at this clinic.
- Dogs must be leashed; cats and ferrets must be in carriers or otherwise contained.

The event is sponsored by Montgomery County Department of Police, Animal Services Division.

CALL 240-314-5037 FOR INFO

City Survey Asks: Are You Prepared?

How prepared for emergencies are you? The City wants to know. Watch for a survey in your utility bill or complete the survey online at www.rockvillemd.gov. Questions? Email jgreenhalgh@rockvillemd.gov.

CALL 240-314-8116 FOR INFO

Rockville Seeks the Best of Neighbors

Nominations are due by June 30 for the second annual Rockville “Good Neighbor Awards.”

Rockville residents who, after July of 2003, made a significant contribution to the community, a neighbor or to the City in general may be eligible. All finalists will be honored at a special ceremony in 2004 and each of the selected nominees will receive a Rockville Good Neighbor Award.

To nominate an adult or youth for an award, or for more information, contact Dwayne Jenkins at 240-314-8343.

CALL 240-314-8343 FOR INFO

Montgomery County Heritage Day June 26

Peerless Rockville invites people of all ages to tour Rockville’s 1891 Red Brick Courthouse and discover the Rockville of early settlers, Civil War generals, and F. Scott Fitzgerald on the 7th annual Montgomery County Heritage Day, Saturday, June 26, from 12 noon to 4 p.m.

The free, countywide Heritage Day events feature 30 sites where people can learn how to explore local history. For more information visit www.montgomeryhistory.org or call 240-314-8230.

CALL 240-314-8230 FOR INFO



OUT TO LUNCH WEDNESDAYS BEGINS... Take a mid-day break for the nice weather, food, music and fun at “Out to Lunch Wednesdays,” sponsored by the City of Rockville’s Recreation and Parks Department. Beginning June 2 from 11 a.m.- 2 p.m. on East Montgomery Avenue, every Wednesday Rockville Town Center visitors can sample area restaurant food, purchase goods from the Farmers’ Market and enjoy a variety of music from bluegrass to Native American to rock and roll.

Fall Rec Class Instructors Needed

The City of Rockville Department of Recreation and Parks is looking for a variety of instructors to teach this fall.

Applicants should apply immediately.

Questions? For Fitness and Sports positions, call Janet Opar at 240-314-8632 For pre-ballet, music and other classes call Pam Baxter at 240-314-8628

CALL 240-314-8632/8628 FOR INFO

Sculpture on the Grounds

The lush green grasses surrounding Glenview Mansion will serve as a canvas for local artists during the 16th Annual Outdoor Sculpture Exhibit.

Beginning with an opening reception and walking tour on Sunday, June 6, at 1 p.m., the free reception and exhibit will be sure to wow area art lovers. The exhibit will run until Oct. 16.

CALL 240-314-8681 FOR INFO

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2,9,16,23,30-Oct.27 **Out to Lunch Wednesdays** Food, music and Farmers’ Market. 11 a.m.- 2 p.m. East Montgomery Avenue (in front of Regal Cinemas)

5,12,19,26-Oct.30 **Rockville Growers’ Only Saturday Farmers’ Market** 9 a.m.-1 p.m. New Location. Juror’s Parking Lot at corner of E. Jefferson and Monroe St. Free parking.

12-13 **Peerless Rockville’s Civil War Weekend** Call Peerless Rockville for more information at 301-762-0096.

19 **Off-Leash Dog Testing** Tests to see if City dogs can be walked without a leash. Call to register as date is subject to change. Middle Lane Parking Lot. 240-314-8930

23 **Peerless Rockville’s Annual Meeting** 30th anniversary meeting presents a History of Peerless Rockville, 1974-2004. 7:30 p.m. Grand Courtroom of the Red Brick Courthouse.

ARTS
The Glenview Mansion Art Gallery and F. Scott Fitzgerald Theatre are located in Rockville’s Civic Center Park. Arts Hotline: 240-314-5006.

6-29 **Glenview Mansion Art Gallery** features Patricia M. Gerkin (mixed media), Dominique Samyn-Werbrouck (paintings) and Michael Enn Sirvet (aluminum and stainless steel sculpture). Opening Reception: Sunday, June 6 from 1-4 p.m. Artist Talk: Thursday, June 17, at 7:30 p.m. Guided Tour: Friday, June 18, at 10 a.m. All events are free. 240-314-8682

6 **Glenview Mansion Sunday Afternoon Concert** featuring U. S.

june calendar of events

RES. = Residents • NR. = Non Residents • MEM. = Member • NM. = Non Member

Navy Band Commodores Combo - 1930’s and 40’s jazz. 2 p.m. Free. 240-314-8682

6-Oct.15 “Sculpture On The Grounds” **16th Annual Outdoor Sculpture Exhibit.** Juried Regional Artists Show. Rockville Civic Center Park Grounds. Opening Reception/ Walking Tour: Sunday, June 6, at 1 p.m. at Glenview Mansion. Free

13 **Rockville Regional Youth Orchestra Concert** 7:30 p.m. F. Scott Fitzgerald Theatre. Free. Directions 240-314-5004. Information 240-314-8682

23 **The Shakespeare Project presents “The Comedy of Errors”** 8 p.m. Behind the Cottage at Rockville Civic Center Park. (Rain Site: Twinbrook Community Recreation Center). Suggested donation: \$5 Bring lawn chairs and a picnic supper. Call 240-314-8681 after 7 p.m. on the day of the performance to verify performance location.

29 **Kids Parks Performing Arts** Featuring original songs by Patricia Shih: Big Ideas for the Whole Family. King Farm Park (Rain site: Glenview Mansion). 7:30 p.m. Free. Call to verify location and to obtain directions 240-314-8682

NATURE CENTER
All programs are at the Croydon Creek Nature Center, 852 Avery Road, Rockville Civic Center Park, unless noted. Registration is required. Register online at www.rockvillemd.gov or call 240-314-8770.

4-6 **Horseshoe Crab and Birding Weekend** Take a weekend long expedition led by a naturalist to Cape Henlopen State Park in Delaware in hopes of witnessing a spectacular display of life, death and a true story of survival. Each day will have different programs and activities, so participants can pick which day(s) they would like to attend. Reservations are needed for final location, group hotel rates and schedule. Fee covers a weekend of naturalist led programs. Transportation and all other expenses on your own. All ages. Call for details 240-314-8770. Individual: \$60 RES/\$75 NRES; Family of four: \$180 RES/\$225 NRES

9 **Tiny Tot Walk – The Caterpillar and the Polliwog** Learn about the two most famous animals that ‘turn into something else.’ Sing songs, take a hike and visit a special tadpole touch tank. 10:30 – 11:15 a.m. Ages 1* - 2. \$3 RES/\$4 NRES

9 **Tyke Hike – The Caterpillar and the Polliwog.** 1 – 2 p.m. Ages 3 – 5. \$4 RES/\$3 NRES

11 **Bullfrog Night Hike** Meet at the pond across from Clyde’s at Tower Oaks Lodge to look for our area’s largest amphibians-as they search for food and mates. Bring a flashlight and good shoes for walking the water’s edge. 8:30 – 9:30 p.m. All ages. \$2 RES/\$3 NRES

SENIOR CENTER
All programs at the Rockville Senior Center, 1150 Carnation Dr., unless noted. Phone: 240-314-8800.

2 **Birthday Party** 1:30-3p.m. Register by June 23. Free

7 **Clarify Computer Concepts** 10 a.m. - 12 noon. Registration required. \$6 MEM/\$8 NMEM

8,10 **Watercolor with a Splash,** 10 a.m. -12noon Register by May 27. \$18 MEM/\$23 NMEM

8,11,15,17 **Internet** 10 a.m. – 12 noon. Registration Required. \$25 MEM/\$32 NMEM

8 **Senior Back Pain** 11 a.m. – 12 noon. Call 240-314-8810 to register. Free

9 **Downsizing—Where to Start** 1 – 2:30 p.m. Call 240-314-8810 to register. Free

16 **Classical Music** 1-2:30 p.m. Register by June 9. Free

16 **Word Perfect—An Introduction** 10 a.m. – 12 noon. Registration required. \$6 MEM/ \$8 NMEM

17 **Conditions of the Hand** 1 – 2 p.m. Call 240-314-8810 to register. Free

21,23,25,28,30-July 2 **Conversational French for Beginners** 10 a.m. – 12 noon. Registration required. \$35 MEM/ \$40 NMEM

22 **History Lesson-California Trail** 10-11:30 a.m. Register by June 14. Free

23-July 7 **Bridge Review** 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Register by June 15. \$28 MEM/\$35 NMEM.

28&30 **Right Click- Left Click** 1 – 3 p.m. Registration Required. \$6 MEM/\$8 NMEM

29-Aug.3 **Money Workshops for Investors** 1- 2:30 p.m. Registration required. Free (\$8 materials fee due to the instructor the first day of class)

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS
All meetings are at City Hall unless otherwise noted.

5 **Board of Appeals,** 9:30 a.m.

8 **Human Services Advisory Commission,** 7:30 p.m. 20 Court-house Square

9 **Commission on the Environment,** 7:30 p.m.

9 **Planning Commission,** 7 p.m.

9 **Cultural Arts Commission,** 7 p.m.

14 **Sign Review Board,** 4 p.m. (held as needed)

15 **Rockville Seniors, Inc.,** 1 p.m. Senior Center

18 **Rockville Economic Development, Inc. Town Center Action Team,** 7 p.m. Red Brick Courthouse

19 **Rockville Housing Enterprises,** 6:30 p.m., 14 Moore Dr.

20 **Historic District Commission,** 7 p.m.

20 **Rockville Sister City Corporation,** 7:30 p.m.

20 **Senior Citizens Commission,** 10 a.m., Senior Center

22 **Traffic and Transportation Commission,** 7:30 p.m.

22 **Rockville Economic Development, Inc. Board Meeting,** 7:30 a.m. 401 N. Washington St. (call 301-315-8096)

23 **Planning Commission,** 7 p.m.

23 **Human Rights Commission,** 7:30 p.m.

24 **Recreation and Parks Advisory Board,** 6 p.m., City Hall Tour

Residents help shape Rockville through involvement with neighborhood and civic associations and participation on Mayor and Council-appointed Boards and Commissions. On a regular basis, Rockville Up Close will take an in-depth look at these organizations.

On any given day, a Rockville resident may pass by dozens of signs. They are large, small, neon, painted, free standing, above doors and some are even on canopies.

A lot goes into the creation of the sign for a business and while many business owners would like theirs to stand out from the rest, residents and fellow business owners are thankful for a City ordinance that sets some standards.

The City’s sign ordinance exists so that the size, color and location of signs enable the public to locate goods, services and facilities without difficulty, danger or confusion. The ordinance also prevents hazards to life and property.



The Sign Review Board recently allowed VOB BMW to post two free-standing signs, like this one, on its property located on Rockville Pike. Only one sign per lot is typically allowed. However, the VOB BMW property wraps behind McDonald’s and other stores. The Sign Review Board allowed one sign in front of each of the two VOB BMW buildings.

However, the ordinance may not fit every business.

For more than a decade, City business owners and residents have had a way to appeal the restrictions established by the City’s sign ordinance through the three member City Sign Review Board.

If a property owner feels that he or she will experience a hard-

ship by following the regulations, he or she may submit an application to the City for a sign modification. Then the Sign Review Board, made up of local citizens, reviews each case and makes a decision based on testimony.

One occasion where a property owner may go before the board is when a business is located far

back from the road and a sign the size permitted by the ordinance cannot be seen. That person might argue that a larger sign is warranted because of the distance from the road.

“The board’s general philosophy is that they protect the integrity of the sign ordinance,” said Linda MacDermid, Rockville’s chief of inspection services. “However the Board recognizes when unique situations make exceptions to the ordinance requirements reasonable and appropriate.”

In addition to property owner requests, in recent years, the Sign Review Board also has reviewed sign concept plans for the new Fallsgrove Village Center and King Farm Retail stores.

The board meets monthly when a sign review application has been submitted to City Hall. For more information on the City’s sign ordinance or Sign Review Board, contact the City’s inspection services at 240-314-8240. [RR](#)

Bike Beats Car In Bike to Work Day Race

A friendly race between two City of Rockville Transportation department employees further supported bike enthusiasts’ claims that biking to work is often faster than driving. Traveling to the same location, Rockville Chief of Transportation Larry Marcus, on bike, beat Transportation Specialist Rod Cruz, in a car, by six minutes to become the first Commuter Cup Challenge winner on Bike to Work Day on Friday, May 7.

At 8 a.m., Marcus and Cruz departed from the newest Bike to Work Day “pit-stop” location, the new Multi-modal Transportation center in the Fallsgrove community. The race concluded minutes later at

the Red Brick Courthouse in Rockville Town Center as Marcus raced to the top of the steps and became the first to place his hand on the courthouse door.

Looking on were dozens of people who chose to bike to work and stop for a drink, snack, or information at the courthouse, the second Bike to Work Day “pitstop” location in Rockville.

While Cruz began the race with a strong lead, he said traffic along Route 28 and finding legal parking in Town Center contributed to the loss to Marcus on bike.

“As a competitive cyclist I enjoyed the race,” said Marcus. “However, as Rockville’s trans-

portation chief, I hoped the car would win. This just shows that more work needs to be done to relieve the traffic congestion on the Route 28 corridor.”

Bike to Work Day is a free, annual event throughout the region and co-sponsored by the City of Rockville to encourage commuters to try this clean, healthy and affordable mode of transportation and support those who already choose to bike to work.

Along the routes in Montgomery County, support stations offered snacks, entertainment, dynamic speakers and chances to win bicycles and other prizes. Events took place at 18 different “pit stop” locations around the D.C.



Larry Marcus reaches for victory on Bike to Work Day

metro region.

“Our goal is to make Rockville the most bike friendly city,” said Barry Klein, chair of Rockville’s Bike Advisory Committee, who assisted with the event. [RR](#)

TRC 11	THE ROCKVILLE CHANNEL JUNE PROGRAMMING SCHEDULE						
	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
12 Midnight until meeting ends	Planning Commission ▼	Mayor & Council ▼	Mayor & Council ▼	Mayor & Council ▼	Mayor & Council ▼	Mayor & Council ▼	Planning Commission ▼
6 am	City Hall Report	City Hall Report	City Hall Report	City Hall Report	City Hall Report	City Hall Report	City Hall Report
6:30 am	Cityline	Cityline	Cityline	Cityline	Cityline	Cityline	Cityline
7 am	Permit Process	Air Quality Codes	Rockville City Government	Air Quality Codes	Destination: rockvillemd.gov	Permit Process	Permit Process
7:30 am	Mayor & Council Review	Mayor & Council Review	Mayor & Council Review	Mayor & Council Review	Mayor & Council Review	Mayor & Council Review	Mayor & Council Review
8 am	City Hall Report	City Hall Report	City Hall Report	City Hall Report	City Hall Report	City Hall Report	City Hall Report
8:30 am	Mayor & Council ▼	Cityline	Cityline	Cityline	Cityline	Cityline	Mayor & Council ▼
9 am	▼	Diversity in the City ▼	Community Mediation	Destination: rockvillemd.gov	Permit Process	Diversity in the City ▼	▼
9:30 am	▼	▼	Permit Process	Exploring Rockville's Past	Air Quality Codes	▼	▼
10 am	▼	Destination: rockvillemd.gov	Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety	Diversity in the City ▼	Destination: rockvillemd.gov	Permit Process	▼
10:30 am	▼	Caregivers: Mentors	Air Quality Codes	▼	Community Mediation	Rockville City Government	▼
11 am	Cityline	Rockville City Government	Exploring Rockville's Past	Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety	Every 15 Minutes	Destination: rockvillemd.gov	Cityline
11:30 am	Mayor & Council Review	Mayor & Council Review	Mayor & Council Review	Mayor & Council Review	Mayor & Council Review	Mayor & Council Review	Mayor & Council Review
12 noon	City Hall Report	City Hall Report	City Hall Report	City Hall Report	City Hall Report	City Hall Report	City Hall Report
12:30 pm	Cityline	Cityline	Cityline	Cityline	Cityline	Cityline	Cityline
1 pm until meeting ends	Mayor & Council ▼	Planning Commission ▼	Mayor & Council ▼	Mayor & Council ▼	Planning Commission ▼	Mayor & Council ▼	Planning Commission ▼
4 pm	RCB Children's Concert ▼	▼	Exploring Rockville's Past	Destination: rockvillemd.gov	▼	Diversity in the City ▼	▼
4:30 pm	▼	Community Mediation	Permit Process	Caregivers: Mentors	Permit Process	▼	Permit Process
5 pm	Exploring Rockville's Past	Destination: rockvillemd.gov	Air Quality Codes	Diversity in the City ▼	Destination: rockvillemd.gov	Caregivers: Mentors	Exploring Rockville's Past
5:30 pm	Responsive & Responsible: Rockville City Government	Croydon Creek Nature Center	Every 15 Minutes	▼	Croydon Creek Nature Center	Every 15 Minutes	Croydon Creek Nature Center
6 pm	City Hall Report	City Hall Report	City Hall Report	City Hall Report	City Hall Report	City Hall Report	City Hall Report
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7 pm	Planning Commission ▼	Mayor & Council ▼	Diversity in the City ▼	Planning Commission ▼	Red Light, Green Light: Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety	Mayor & Council ▼	Community Mediation ▼
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11 pm	Destination: rockvillemd.gov	Destination: rockvillemd.gov	Every 15 Minutes	Diversity in the City ▼	Rockville City Government	Every 15 Minutes	Permit Process
11:30 pm	Air Quality Codes	Every 15 Minutes	Air Quality Codes	▼	Every 15 Minutes	Destination: rockvillemd.gov	Croydon Creek Nature Center

Volunteer Time: Senior Center Awards

There are infinite ways to share talent, experience, expertise and time with individuals or organizations that could use assistance by volunteering in the City. Each month “Volunteer Time” will highlight a different volunteer opportunity to promote an interest in giving back to the community.

Last month, the Rockville Senior Center recognized the efforts of more than 270 volunteers who have given their time and talents over the past year. The volunteers, who were honored during national Older Americans Month, have donated a combined total of nearly 24,000 hours in the past year.

“Without our volunteers we wouldn’t be able to provide so many high quality services to Rockville’s seniors,” said Jill Hall, Senior Center supervisor. “We want them to know that we appreciate and thank them for all of their efforts.”

A highlight of the day’s events was the announcement of the first annual Estelle Berberian Volunteer of the Year Award. Stuart Crump received the award for his efforts in the Computer Lab, delivering Entenmann’s bakery products to the center, working during the Spring and Holiday Bazaars and serving on the Senior Citizens Commission. He volunteered more than 300 hours last year.

The Volunteer of the Year Award was established on Berberian’s 100th birthday last July for her integral involvement in the center’s creation in 1982.

Lois Darling, Frances Loveless and Frances Martin also were honored for many years of service to the Center as this year’s three Lifetime Membership awardees.

The Corporate Appreciation Award went to Suburban Hospital for providing guest speakers and monthly health screenings for Center members, as well as staffing the center three days a week with registered nurses.

Volunteers support the Senior Center primarily between the hours of 9 a.m.- 4 p.m., helping with the Center’s multitude of services and events.

For more information, call 240-314-8800. [RR](#)



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